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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: DOT SECRETARY ADAMS TESTIMONY ON AIRPORT
SECURITY AT SENATE HEARINGS
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REF: (A) STATE 10405; (B) STATE 10430

1. SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION ADAMS TESTIFIED BEFORE THE
SENATE GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE JANUARY 25 CONCERN-
ING S.2236, OMNIBUS ANTI-TERRORISM ACT OF 1977 (THE
RIBICOFF BILL). A GREAT DEAL OF QUESTIONING FOCUSED ON

AIRPORTS OF SECURITY CONCERN TO THE US. MEDIA QUESTIONING AFTER SECRETARY ADAMS' TESTIMONY ALSO DEALT AT LENGTH WITH THIS QUESTION. SECRETARY ADAMS STATED THAT 5 FOREIGN AIRPORTS PRESENTLY ARE CAUSE FOR US CONCERN: CASABLANCA, ROME, ATHENS, ISTANBUL AND ANKARA. HE FURTHER STATED THAT FAA SECURITY SPECIALISTS WERE PRESENTLY TRAVELING AND CONDUCTING INSPECTIONS OF THESE AIRPORTS ALONG WITH THE CONDUCT OF ROUTINE RPT ROUTINE INSPECTIONS AT PARIS, MADRID, CAIRO, BRUSSELS, LONDON, LISBON, DUBLIN, AMMAN, KARACHI AND TEHRAN.

2. TESTIMONY EMPHASIZED THAT THE US EXPERIENCE HAS BEEN VERY FAVORABLE WHEN DEALING WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES CONCERNING CIVIL AVIATION SECURITY PROBLEMS, AND THAT THEY HAVE

BEEN EXTREMELY COOPERATIVE IN CORRECTING SECURITY DEFICIENCIES.

3. FOR ANKARA, RABAT, ROME AND ATHENS: YOU SHOULD PROMPTLY INFORM HOST GOVERNMENTS OF FOREGOING AND SHOULD EMPHASIZE THAT (A) THE US GOVERNMENT WISHES TO CONTINUE WORKING IN MUTUALLY COOPERATIVE AND CONSTRUCTIVE ATMOSPHERE TO ACHIEVE THE COMMON GOAL OF A SAFE, SECURE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION SYSTEM; (B) SECURITY WEAKNESSES OR DEFICIENCIES NOTED DURING COURSE OF FAA INSPECTIONS, TOGETHER WITH RECOMMENDATIONS FOR NECESSARY IMPROVEMENTS, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WILL FIRST BE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE HOST GOVERNMENTS CIVIL AVIATION AND OTHER RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION; AND, (C) THE EXCHANGE BETWEEN SECRETARY ADAMS AND THE COMMITTEE ON THIS POINT WAS CENTERED UPON US PUBLICATION OF LIST OF QUOTE DANGEROUS AIRPORTS UNQUOTE AS PROPOSED IN S.2236 -- NOT UPON THE POSSIBILITY OF US ACTION AS AUTHORIZED IN PL 93-366. (OTHER ACTION ADDRESSEES MAY DRAW ON ABOVE IN RESPONDING TO HOST GOVERNMENT OR PRESS QUERIES, AS APPROPRIATE.)

4. FOR ANKARA: (REF A AND CARLE/CARRINGTON TELCON): INSPECTIONS OF AIRPORTS AT ISTANBUL AND ANKARA HAVE ALREADY BEEN ACCOMPLISHED. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TEAM CHIEF T.I. BELL WILL HAVE TO SPEAK WITH DGCA GUNGEN CONCERNING PROBLEMS UNCOVERED IN PREVIOUS INSPECTIONS TO DETERMINE TURKISH PLANS TO CORRECT DEFICIENCIES. TECHNICAL TEAM REPORT WITH RECOMMENDATIONS SHOULD SERVE TO GREATLY ASSIST TURKISH CIVIL AUTHORITIES IN THIS REGARD.

5. FOR TEHRAN: TEHRAN HAD ORIGINALLY BEEN SCHEDULED FOR INSPECTION. THIS HAS BEEN CANCELED. THERE WILL BE NO

FAA INSPECTION AT TEHRAN AT THIS TIME. VANCE

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